

STATE FFA CONVENTION WORKSHOPS

Workshop schedule subject to change. Final listing of all workshops will be in the official convention program.

Monday, June 12, 2006

1:30 p.m. The Mystery of Respect

Anita Estes, National Central Region Vice President

Arboretum Room, Sheraton Hotel

It's something we choose to use or not every single day...so what's so mysterious about respect? Come be an investigator to discover the power of respect of ourselves and others, and just how respect builds our reputation!

Tuesday, June 13, 2006

10:00 a.m. Taking the WORLD UPSIDE DOWN

Jackie Mundt, 2003-2004 State FFA Vice President, 2004-2005 National FFA President

Alliant Energy Center - Exhibition Hall

Room: Mendota 8

Tired of the same old leadership workshops every year? It's time to make a change. Learn to take leadership upside down and make a difference in the world around you.

11:15 a.m. FFA Alumni – Solid as Bricks in 2006

Kevin Larsen, 2003-2004 State FFA Vice President, Section VI Alumni Representative

Room: Mendota 8

What is the FFA Alumni? What does the FFA Alumni do? Who can be a FFA Alumni member? What role does my FFA Alumni have with my FFA chapter? How can I get involved with the FFA Alumni as a chapter FFA member? What do other FFA Alumni affiliates do that my FFA Alumni can do too? Have these questions answered and much more in this informative and action-packed workshop to learn how FFA Alumni helps you build the foundation for your future!

12:30 p.m. "Make Your Officer Retreat a Real Treat!"

Danielle Russell, 2004-2005 State FFA Parliamentarian

Tyler Sailsbery 2004-2005 State FFA Reporter

Room: Mendota 8

Summertime means awesome chapter officer retreats. Learn what tools to pack in your suitcase and how to make the most of your retreat. So come sit around the campfire with Tyler and Danielle to find out how to make your officer retreat the best ever - before, during and after the trip!

1:45 p.m. Wisconsin Technical College System

Dr. James Gibson, Education Director Agriculture and Natural Resources Energy and Transportation Wisconsin Technical College System

Room: Mendota 8

This workshop will focus on the seven career pathways within the Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Career Cluster. If you have chosen to enroll in agriculture, agriscience and related courses in high school, then you have opened a unique opportunity to explore a vast array of possible career choices. How does one choose which path to follow? Can I follow more than one path at a time? When do I have to really decide about my life beyond high school? What about college?

3:00 p.m. Get "Real"

Matt Lohr, Motivational Speaker

Room: Mendota 8

Let's face it; high school is a time of change, emotional struggles, and making big time decisions! For almost everyone, these four years have the greatest impact in shaping the future. This interactive and fast paced program is all about making REAL choices and decisions that will give you a successful start in life. Through entertaining stories and fun activities, Matt will challenge you to follow your dreams, live each day to the fullest, and share kindness and joy with everyone you meet.

4:15 p.m. Rock'n Roberts Rules of Order for Beginners

University of Wisconsin – River Falls Agriculture Education Society

Room: Mendota 8

In this workshop, beginners in parliamentary procedure will learn the basic ins and outs of common parliamentary law. After this workshop, students will be able to apply parliamentary law to everyday meeting, contests, and develop effective agendas. So come and learn how you too can be Rock'n with Roberts Rules of Order!!!

Wednesday, June 14, 2006

8:45 a.m. The Mystery of Respect

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Room: Mendota 8

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10:00 a.m. Keep It Real**Room: Mendota 8***Keith Hawkins, Motivational Speaker*

Each day as I enter a school I always wonder who is that person...what are they all about? It is a part of our nature to wonder this. I also believe that this thinking puts up an imaginary wall that most people can't seem to get through. If we learn how to break through these walls we can make better connections with people we tend to value. Wouldn't it be great if we could actually value all people? I know it would make your school, job, and environment a better place. The good news is, there are skills a person can learn that will help them value all people. When you value people they will then value you and ultimately they will follow you. This is real leadership when those you lead are willing to follow. Come learn these skills that will take you past the beginning stages of leadership.

12:15 – 2:15 p.m. Dairy Goat Career Development Event**Room: Mendota 8***Clara Hedrich, Agricultural Education Instructor and FFA Advisor, West DePere High School**Tom Considine, American Dairy Goat Association Licensed Judge and Dairy Goat Farmer*

Workshop participants will first be familiarized with goats and goat judging. Participants will then view dairy and meat goats and place several classes. Plaques sponsored by the Wisconsin Dairy Goat Association will be awarded to the top four teams and the top four individuals. Teams will consist of four members with the three best scores taken for team placing. You may also enter the event as an individual if you do not have enough for a team. Anyone interested in dairy or meat goats is encouraged to attend and participate in this workshop.

1:30 p.m. Rock'n Roberts Rules of Order for Advanced Students**Room: Mendota 8***University of Wisconsin – River Falls Agriculture Education Society Members*

In this workshop advanced students in parliamentary procedure will increase their knowledge of parliamentary law. Students will be able ask questions and will learn how to apply their contest knowledge to real life situations! So come and learn how to increase your knowledge so you too can be Rock'n with Roberts Rules of Order!!!

1:30 p.m. Agri-Science Fair**Room: Life Expo Hall Talent Stage***Dr. Tim Buttles, University of Wisconsin River Falls Agriculture Education Department*

Which hydroponics system grows the best plants? How does food color impact the flavor? The FFA Agriscience Fair provides an opportunity for members in grades 7 - 12 to explore these types of questions. This workshop will provide the information you need to design an award-winning Agriscience Fair project.

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Chapter Officer Team Surgery**Room: Mendota 1-4***Jim Melby, 1999-2000 State FFA Reporter, MFE Presenter, Ag. Instructor at Winneconne High School**Matt Reinders, 2000-2001 State FFA President, Ag. Instructor at Loyal High School**Jake Peissig, 1999-2000 State FFA Treasurer, EDGE Presenter, Bob's Dairy Supply**Tolea Peissig, 1999-2000 State FFA President, WLC Presenter, Ag. Instructor at Wausau East and West High Schools*

This workshop is a great opportunity to prepare chapter officer teams with the help of National FFA leadership trainers and a medical twist! Chapter officer teams, now is the time to get your team headed in the right direction and understand your role as leaders of your local FFA Chapter. Learn about the importance of serving as an officer and your role in leading an FFA chapter. Discover what it takes to be a successful officer and get ready for a great year. Now is the time to set some goals and plan your course. So roll up your sleeves, get out your scalpels, prepare to turn your ag room into a leadership ER, and join others for a workshop of chapter officer TEAM development!

2:45 p.m. Developing Collegiate Leaders**Room: Monona/Wingra***Dr. Tim Buttles, University of Wisconsin River Falls Agriculture Education Department*

Collegiate LifeKnowledge training builds society-ready graduates. Come learn about this resource designed to help collegiate agricultural student organizations provide personal, career, community, and organizational development to their members.

3:15p.m. Study with Leaders – UW Ag. Short Course**Room: Mendota 8***Dr. Rick Dalgue, UW Madison – Assistant Dean CALS*

Learn about the Farm and Industry Short Course Program at the University of Wisconsin Madison. Discover what courses are available, what it costs, and who is qualified to attend. This is a great option to further your education and get the education you need to be successful.

4:15 p.m. Wanted: Future Agricultural Marketers**Room: Mendota 8***Nicole Schmidt, 2004-2005 State FFA President, 2005-2006 Colligate FFA Ambassador**Christine Lepple 2003-2004 State FFA Reporter*

“Got milk?” “Cotton - The fabric of our lives.” “Beef. It's what's for dinner.” Discover what's behind all those agricultural promotions and how you can apply it to the marketing efforts of your FFA chapters. Gain tips and tools to prepare yourself for gold in the Agricultural Sales CDE. Finally, explore career opportunities in agricultural sales and marketing from these marketing enthusiasts.